

Minutes of the Meeting of the Daggett County Commission and the Daggett County Redevelopment Agency held on **Tuesday, November 19, 2024** in the Commission Chambers in the Daggett County Courthouse at 95 North 1st West in Manila, Utah and through electronic means. Commissioners Matt Tippetts, Jack Lytle and Randy Asay attended in person. Clerk Brian Raymond attended in person. Attorney Kent Snider and Auditor Keri Pallesen joined the meeting virtually. The meeting was called to order at 9:08 am by Commission Chairman Matt Tippetts. The invocation was given by Commissioner Tippetts. Commissioner Tippetts then led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present In Person: Darren Brown of Tri County Health Department, Peggy White, Jesse Platt, Kent Bond

Present Online or by Phone: Lance Dean of Uintah Indigent Defense Office

Motion to Go In and Out of Redevelopment Agency (RDA): Commissioner Lytle motioned to go in and out of the Redevelopment Agency (RDA) Meeting Agenda. Commissioner Asay seconded the motion. The Commissioners voted as follows on the motion:

	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
Commissioners Tippetts:	X			
Commissioner Lytle:	X			
Commissioner Asay:	X			

The motion carried.

Approve Minutes: Commission meeting minutes for the Tuesday, October 22, 2024 meeting were available for review and approval. Commissioner Lytle motioned to approve the minutes for the Tuesday, October 22, 2024 Daggett County Commission and RDA Meeting as written. Commissioner Asay seconded the motion. The Commissioners voted as follows on the motion:

	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
Commissioner Tippetts:	X			
Commissioner Lytle:	X			
Commissioner Asay:	X			

The motion carried.

Commission meeting minutes for the Tuesday, October 29, 2024 meeting were available for review and approval. Commissioner Asay motioned to approve the minutes for the Tuesday, October 29, 2024 Daggett County Commission and RDA Meeting as written. Commissioner Lytle seconded the motion. The Commissioners voted as follows on the motion:

	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
Commissioner Tippetts:	X			
Commissioner Lytle:	X			
Commissioner Asay:	X			

The motion carried.

Issue Updates: Commissioner Lytle said he thinks we are entertaining offers on some of the land in Dutch John and we probably need a closed session to move forward. He hopes everything is going forward with the bond attorneys now that we have chosen a contractor.

Commissioner Lytle said he spoke with the Governor's housing person and he is aware of the issues, but didn't have any specifics for us. Peggy said that UAC has a way to help if we join the Housing Alliance.

The Clinic is moving forward. Josie is back to work and they have been busy. There is a wet spot in one place out there for the pit that was dug for the new Clinic. Bart was going to get with Geotech and see what the options are and we were asked where our alternative site was.

Commissioner Lytle said that if we have any asks for the legislature we need to think about that now before it's too late. Commissioner Tippetts had spoken with Representative Chew about the State Park possibility and he had given him Representative Strong's name as a contact for more information.

Citizen Comments: Darren Brown said he hadn't been in the area for awhile, but wanted to stop in and the Healthy Communities non-profit down there in the basin has money to help people that have failed septic systems get them fixed. DEQ also has money. It can be used by people to help them connect to the proposed system if they qualify. Commissioner Lytle said Dutch John is looking at doing impact fees that will affect the future development.

Darren asked what was going on with Brown's Park and the response was not much. He has people propose some ingenious ideas down there, but then they never come back.

There was discussion regarding the new Health Clinic and how that would be inspected whether Matt Tate would do it or we would contract it out since he is only here one day a week. Darren was thanked for attending. He noted the compliance has been good the past few years. He is willing to help with planning or other activities, just let him know.

Cash Summary Report & Aging Report Review: The Cash Summaries and Accounts Receivable Reports were provided by the Recorder/Treasurer's Office. Commissioner Lytle motioned to acknowledge Cash Summary and Aging Reports as of November 15, 2024. Commissioner Asay seconded the motion. The Commissioners voted as follows on the motion:

	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
Commissioner Tippetts:	X			
Commissioner Lytle:	X			
Commissioner Asay:	X			

The motion carried.

Open Invoice Register: The Open Invoice Register was provided by the Auditor's Office and reviewed by the Commissioners. Commissioner Lytle noted that Car Payments and the Road Department were the biggest outlays this week along with the Water Treatment Plant which should be paid back from the grant and loan.

Commissioner Lytle motioned to approve the Open Invoice Register dated November 16, 2024 in the amount of \$62,965.19. Commissioner Asay seconded the motion. Commissioner Lytle asked about the \$25,000 for Ambulance miscellaneous supplies, which was the payment to the Fire and EMS District for the Ambulance Services. The Commissioners voted as follows on the motion:

	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
Commissioner Tippetts:	X			
Commissioner Lytle:	X			
Commissioner Asay:	X			

The motion carried.

Reimbursement Register: There wasn't a Reimbursement Register to review today.

Disbursement Listing: The Disbursement Listing was provided by the Auditor's Office. Commissioner Lytle motioned to accept the Disbursement Listing as being reviewed for November 10, 2024 to November 16, 2024 for Daggett County Zion's Checking in the amount of \$255,515.27 with a void amount of \$5,830.00 Commissioner Asay seconded the motion. The Commissioners

voted as follows on the motion:

	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
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Commissioner Tippetts:	X			
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Commissioner Lytle:	X			
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Commissioner Asay:	X			
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The motion carried.

Purchase Requests: Clerk Brian Raymond said he had two requests. One is from Vortex Productions for \$5,600.00 for the Labor Day fireworks. The other request is for Elections System and Software for \$3,149.50 for setting up for the elections. Since it is under \$5,000 it does not need Commission approval.

Brian explained that with the proposed changes coming in the near future to the Chamber and TRT expenditures it was thought that maybe the County could pay this bill directly and save some taxes since the Chamber is not tax exempt. There was discussion of the pros and cons of the County paying this. Commissioner Tippetts and Keri would like to see us get the TRT expenditures by the Chamber reconciled. Keri asked if the invoice was made out to the County and it is. Commissioner Lytle wondered if it should be paid by the Chamber since it was contracted by them even though it is being paid from TRT funds and it might be more expensive to pay the tax. Keri would like to see it reconciled. That way there is a clean cut off and we know where we stand with the TRT Funds. The Chamber said they will be requesting funds and then pay back what is not used, that is not the best way to do this. Commissioner Tippetts said the proposed changes are an effort to get the transparency back, so that the County can show how that money is being spent.

Commissioner Lytle motioned to approve the PO for Vortex Productions in the amount of \$5,600.00 for the Labor Day Fireworks. Commissioner Asay seconded the motion. The Commissioners voted as follows on the motion:

	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
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Commissioner Tippetts:	X			
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Commissioner Lytle:	X			
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Commissioner Asay:	X			
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The motion carried.

POLICY AND LEGISLATION

Discussion And Consideration Of Contract Amendment #1 For Indigent Defense Service:

Lance Dean was on virtually and said that they have been diligent in performing their duties to provide indigent defense. This is an effort to extend the contract an additional year and it was noticed a few minutes ago that the amount was wrong, so a new version was sent to the Clerk, which he printed for everyone to review. Commissioner Asay was confused whether we owed \$6,550 or \$13,100. This is being currently discussed, but looks like you are still in court, but wanted you to have the new contract. There has been some confusion on it, but it appears we have paid the 2024 amount and then we would only owe the 2025 amount, not the full \$13,100. This amendment is to add 2025 to the contract with the new contract ending date of December 31, 2025.

Commissioner Lytle motioned to approve Amendment #1 with the clarification made. Commissioner Asay seconded the motion. The Commissioners voted as follows on the motion:

Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
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Commissioner Tippetts:	X
Commissioner Lytle:	X
Commissioner Asay:	X

The motion carried. Mr. Dean was thanked for his efforts and said he would like to get with the Commissioners to discuss the costs that are not being met at this time by this contract. It was noted earlier that about 40% of the funding comes from a grant.

Correspondence: Commissioner Tippetts noted that there was a notice of the Park Rules and Regulations hearing coming up next week and also a copy of Duchesne County's Resolutions for their General Plan update. Commissioner Lytle asked that the Clerk send out digital copies to the Commissioners and Planning and Zoning and he said he would.

Keri wanted to talk about the email from the Chamber of Commerce regarding the TRT funds. Peggy passed out a copy of the email for everyone's review. Commissioner Lytle wondered if Ryan had been notified what was going on. Brian did not know as he did not attend the last Chamber meeting. Peggy thought that he had been notified based on some comments at the Burbot Bash Meeting. Commissioner Tippetts said that he thought that we should meet and finalize things. He thought the email showed approval of getting it posted, but it was unclear if the TRT board had reviewed it and maybe they had, but Peggy said that they were not sent the job description for review. A meeting will be set up for the 3 entities.

Calendar Review: Commissioner Tippetts said Budget meetings will start today at 2 pm. Tomorrow is a Jail meeting at 1 pm with Joel Brown. Commissioner Tippetts will try to attend the UDOT meeting tomorrow morning. Commissioner Lytle said he would try to attend that and the Public Lands meeting. Thursday at 7 pm is the Transportation District meeting. There is no jail meeting this Friday, due to the meeting tomorrow. The next jail meeting is December 11th. The Canvass of the Election is today at 1 pm. A five minute recess was taken at 10:31 am. Commissioner Tippetts welcomed everyone back from recess at 10:41 am.

Discussion And Consideration Of GOEO Contract Extension Request For Ski Resort

Funding: Commissioner Tippetts said this was a draft letter prepared by Seven County Infrastructure Coalition (SCIC) director Keith Heaton. The project is moving forward even though we haven't heard much from John Chadwick recently. SCIC approved this last week and the Governor's Office of Economic Opportunity has requested this from us to give us another 18 months past January of 2025. Mr. Chadwick has until the end of December to get back with SCIC.

Commissioner Tippetts motioned to approve the request for GOEO 18 month funding extension letter. Commissioner Asay seconded the motion. The Commissioners voted as follows on the motion:

	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
Commissioner Tippetts:	X			
Commissioner Lytle:	X			
Commissioner Asay:	X			

The motion carried.

Discussion And Consideration Of Fairbanks Scale Certification Contract: Clerk Raymond said that in speaking with the State Inspector it only needs to be certified once per year and Fairbanks tests it just the way the State does. The problem is that if it doesn't meet the certification then what. Where would we be to get it fixed? In the previous discussion Commissioner Asay motioned to approve the Calibration agreement between Daggett County and Fairbanks Scales for two inspections per year. There was a question if we were getting paid enough to do that. It was unclear if the scale fees were being paid as the keys are in the Clerk's Office and payments are taken in the Recorder/Treasurer's Office. The Brand inspector has

typically kept the county posted on how many cattle are being weighed, so they could send out bills. Lot Broadbent is the new Brand Inspector. We are not sure if we are getting payment, so various methods were discussed to ensure that we are getting paid enough to cover the cost of the scale maintenance and inspection. We could post the fees at the scale shack and if we need to change things a little, we are changing a lot of things in January. What do Commercial scales charge? It was unknown. The trucks crossing the scales creates more wear and tear on the scale. Further discussion will need to happen before price changes could be implemented on January 1. Kent joined the meeting and recommended the placement of a placard with prices and terms otherwise ambiguous. With a placard once they use it, it's an acceptance offer and we now have a contract.

Commissioner Asay motioned to adjust the contract to once per year in 2025. Commissioner Lytle seconded the motion. The Commissioners voted as follows on the motion:

	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
Commissioner Tippetts:	X			
Commissioner Lytle:	X			
Commissioner Asay:	X			

The motion carried.

Discussion And Consideration Of 2025 County Tentative Budget: Commissioner Lytle asked if the 2025 Tentative Budget is based on the 2024 budget. Keri said it is. Commissioner Lytle motioned to approve the Tentative Budget for 2025. Commissioner Asay seconded the motion. The Commissioners voted as follows on the motion:

	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
Commissioner Tippetts:	X			
Commissioner Lytle:	X			
Commissioner Asay:	X			

The motion carried.

Discussion And Consideration Of 2025 Redevelopment Agency Tentative Budget: Commissioner Tippetts noted that the RDA budget also needs to be considered. Commissioner Lytle motioned to approve the 2025 Redevelopment Agency Tentative Budget. Kent said that he is looking at some changes for the RDA budget for next year, but he hasn't scheduled his time with Keri concerning the budget yet. Commissioner Asay seconded the motion. The Commissioners voted as follows on the motion:

	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
Commissioner Tippetts:	X			
Commissioner Lytle:	X			
Commissioner Asay:	X			

The motion carried.

Closed Session: Commissioner Lytle said there are a few things we should pay attention to relating to the purpose of litigation and purchase exchange or lease of Real Property. It's just a matter of whether 15 minutes is enough time to complete before the 11:30 MBA meeting. Commissioner Lytle motioned to go into Closed Session at 11:16 am. Commissioner Asay seconded the motion. The Commissioners voted as follows:

	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
Commissioner Tippetts:	X			
Commissioner Lytle:	X			
Commissioner Asay:	X			

Commissioner Asy motioned to go back into Open Session at 11:47 am. Commissioner Lytle seconded the motion. The Commissioners voted as follows on the motion:

Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
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Commissioner Tippetts:	X
Commissioner Lytle:	X
Commissioner Asay:	X

The motion carried.

Commissioner Tippetts recessed the Commission meeting at 11:47 for the Municipal Building Authority Meeting and said we will come back into session at 1:00 pm for the Canvass.

Canvass of Election: The Canvass began at 1:12 pm. **Those present included:** Commission Chairman Matt Tippetts; Commissioner Jack Lytle; Commissioner Randy Asay; Clerk Brian Raymond, Deputy Clerk Vicki Tanner, Commission Assistant Peggy White

Daggett County continues to be a Vote By Mail County. There were 651 Registered voters and all but 1 were mailed a ballot as 1 Voter chose not to receive a ballot by mail. We had 100 ballots returned by mail (17.95%); 289 ballots were returned through drop boxes (51.88%); and 168 people voted in person (30.16%), including 12 provisional ballots and 1 UOCAVA ballot from a resident currently residing outside the U. S. Of the returned by-mail ballots we had 27 ballots rejected for non-matching signatures, with all of those ballots being cured and counted. There were 557 total ballots counted for a 85.56% turnout. We had 12 ballots returned undeliverable and seven were re-issued with an updated address and 5 that couldn't be remailed. We had 0 ballots received by mail that were postmarked too late, while 1 ballot was received in a drop box without a signature or any markings on the ballot, so it was not counted. We had an issue with all of our ballots getting lost in the mail and voters did not receive their ballots until the Monday before elections. Many of our seasonals were able to vote in person before they left for the winter and others were mailed absentee ballots if they left before their ballots arrived. Other arrangements were made to cover the ballots if they failed to be found, but fortunately they were found in time for voters to get their ballots turned in and counted.

Early Voting in Manila took place from October 25 - November 1, 2024 with 86 people voting in person and 2 Provisional Voters, while Early voting in Dutch John was held on October 29th with 24 people voting in person and 6 Provisional Voters. Election Day was Tuesday, November 5, 2024 and there were 46 people that voted in person and 2 additional Provisional voters. All of the 12 Provisional Ballots were processed and counted.

The Election was audited on Thursday, November 14, 2024. No members of the public attended. Commissioner Randy Asay attended and observed the proceedings. There were 66 paper ballots that were hand counted. There was one faint mark on one of the ballots that did not get counted originally For Amendment B and one write-in that was originally counted for Lyman/Clawson that was determined to be invalid as it was for Lyman/Henderson, which is not a valid candidate combination. During the processing of ballots all 27 ballots that did not match and 12 additional ballots were audited for proper signature verification. All were found to be properly verified and all non-matching signatures were cured. Release dates for ballots counted being uploaded to the Lt. Governor's Office were: November 5, 2024, and November 15, 2024.

The Vote Counts for each candidate are as follows:

Federal Offices:	Election Night	Canvass Totals
President/Vice President		
Cornel Ronald West/Melina Abdullah	1	1
Lucifer "Justin Case" Everylove	0	0
CON - Joel Skousen/Rik Combs	1	1
GRN - Jill Stein/Rudolph Ware	2	2
REP - Donald J. Trump/JD Vance	414	443
LIB - Chase Oliver/Mike Ter Maat	2	2
DEM - Kamala D. Harris/Tim Walz	98	101
Claudia De la Cruz/Karina A> Garcia	0	0
WI-Jay J Bowman/DeD. Bowman	0	0
WI-Buddie Arden Wilkerson	0	0
WI-Steve M. Johnson/Lauren M. Onak	0	0
WI-Andre Ramon McNeil	0	0
WI-Peter Sonski	0	0
WI-Future Madam POTUS	0	0
WI-Shondra Yvette Irving	0	0
Write-In - Invalid	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
Total Votes Cast	519	551
U.S. Senate		
IAP - Carlton E. Bowen	13	13
REP - John Curtis	423	451
DEM - Caroline Gleich	<u>76</u>	<u>78</u>
Total Votes Cast	514	544
U.S. House-District 3		
DEM - Glenn J. Wright	82	83
MIKE KENNEDY	<u>418</u>	<u>444</u>
Total Votes Cast	500	527
State Offices		
Governor/Lieutenant Governor		
REP-Spencer J. Cox/Deidre M. Henderson	364	391
IAP-Tommy William/Archie A. Williams III	9	11
DEM-Brian Smith King/Rebekah Cummings	70	72
LIB-J. Robert Latham/Barry Evan Short	11	11
TOM Tomeny/William Lansing Taylor	0	0
WI-Phil Lyman/Natalie Clawson	53	52
WI-Charlie Tautuaa/Sylvia Miera	0	0
Write-In - Invalid	2	3
Total Votes Cast	509	540

State Offices (Cont'd)	Election Night	Canvass Totals
Attorney General		
REP-Derek Brown	401	426
DEM-Rudy J Bautista	77	78
LIB - W. Andrew McCullough	5	6
Austin Hepworth	4	4
UUP - Michelle Quist	17	18
Total Votes Cast	504	532
State Auditor		
REP - Tina Cannon	390	426
CON - Jeffrey L. Ostler	22	24
DEM - Catherine Voutaz	<u>76</u>	<u>77</u>
Total Votes Cast	488	515
State Treasurer		
UFP - Miles Pomeroy	15	15
REP - Marlo M. Oaks	393	419
DEM - Neil A. Hansen	<u>80</u>	<u>81</u>
Total Votes Cast	488	515
State House District 68		
REP - Scott Chew	436	460
State School Board District 12		
Jason L. Allen	80	87
REP - Cole J. Kelley	<u>368</u>	<u>387</u>
Total Votes Cast	448	474
County Offices		
Commissioner C		
REP - Randall B. Asay	379	403
WI-Invalid	47	50
Total Votes Cast	426	453
County Assessor		
REP - Jesse Platt	435	461
County Attorney		
REP - Kent Snider	415	440
County Clerk		
REP - Larinda Isaacson	418	444

County Recorder/Treasurer	Election Night	Canvass Totals
REP - Brianne Carter	453	478
Daggett School Board District 4		
Ross Catron	81	85
Daggett School Board District 5		
Rob Gahley	91	96
Flaming Gorge Fire & EMS District Board Member At Large #1		
Bret A Reynolds	358	379
Flaming Gorge Fire & EMS District Board Member Town of Manila		
Leonard Isaacson	128	130
Flaming Gorge Fire & EMS District Board Member West Side		
WI-Invalid	20	21
Flaming Gorge Fire & EMS District Board Member East Side		
Woodrow L. Bair II	32	37
Judicial Retention Contests		
Mathew B. Durrant Utah Supreme Court Judicial Retention		
Yes	349	369
No	<u>75</u>	<u>78</u>
Total Votes	424	447
Ryan D. Tenney Utah Court of Appeals Judicial Retention		
Yes	342	362
No	<u>73</u>	<u>75</u>
Total Votes	415	437
Greg Lamb, 8th District Court Judicial Retention		
Yes	344	363
No	<u>78</u>	<u>81</u>
Total Votes	422	444
Jeffry K Ross, 8th Juvenile Court Judicial Retention		
Yes	353	373
No	<u>70</u>	<u>72</u>
Total Votes	423	445
Constitutional Amendments		
Constitutional Amendment A (VOIDED and counts not released)		

Constitutional Amendments (Cont'd)**Constitutional Amendment B**

For	287	306
Against	<u>189</u>	<u>195</u>
Total Votes	476	501

Constitutional Amendment C**Election Night****Canvass Totals**

For	429	456
Against	<u>62</u>	<u>62</u>
Total Votes	491	518

Constitutional Amendment D (VOIDED and counts not released)**Local Propositions****Proposition #17 For Dutch John to join the Flaming Gorge Fire and EMS District**

For	30	32
Against	<u>50</u>	<u>53</u>
Total Votes	80	85

Commissioner Lytle motioned to approve the Canvass of the election and Commissioner Asay seconded the motion. Brian asked if the Commissioners wanted him to mention the late arrival of the ballots and Commissioner Lytle made a friendly amendment to his motion to include a note that the ballots arrived late. The Commissioners voted as follows on the motion:

	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
Commissioner Tippetts:	X			
Commissioner Lytle:	X			
Commissioner Asay:	X			

The motion carried.

Kent Bond came in and gave a brief presentation on repainting his fuel tanks at the local gas station and wondered if that might fit the grant the County is offering to businesses. He was encouraged to apply and see as the Commission will not be making the decision on who to award the grants to.

With nothing further to consider Commissioner Tippetts adjourned the meeting by acclamation at 1:51 pm.

/s/Matt Tippetts

Commissioner/Matt Tippetts

/s/Brian Raymond

Clerk/Brian Raymond

/s/Randy Asay

Commissioner/Randy Asay

/s/Jack Lytle

Commissioner/Jack Lytle

